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## Zwickau-Oelsnitz hard-coal fields

Approximate daily output: 2,000 tons. Most of this is transported eastward. Local industries depend on brown coal from the Leipzig-Altenburg area. The Morgenstern Bergbau Gesellschaft owns a coking plant and supplies the town of Zwickau with gas. The coal companies are now all state-owned. Their purchasing capacity is very much restricted because of a limit of RM 2,000 placed on money they can freely dispose of; otherwise they are dependent on the Directorate of State-owned Enterprises, Dresden. Together with the Buna Werke at Schkopau, trials are being made for the production of naphthalene through the distillation of hard coal. Results up to now have only indicated the possibility of using this product in conjunction with the high-grade naphthalene produced in Upper Silesia or Czechoslovakia.

Railroad repair shops  
( ? Zwickau)

Production is closely supervised by the Soviets. Locomotives and rolling stock are repaired. In February or March 1947 the 1,000th locomotive was repaired. This is a completely SED concern, manned by "Stossbrigaden". Number of employees: at least 1,500.

## Zwickauer Kamengarnspinnerei

A state-owned enterprise. Raw cotton is delivered from the USSR for spinning.

AEG Research Institute,  
Thalheim/Zwönitz

Evacuated from Berlin and now a state-owned enterprise. High frequency tubes and precision instruments are being made. Number of employees: 50.

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Gehr. Bassor AG, Zwickau

Badly damaged by air raids. Remaining assembly shops were dismantled, and what was left was blown up in May 1947. The owner fled [redacted] shortly after the capitulation, leaving about 4,000,000 RM in debts. A large wrecked aircraft dump is now on the grounds of the factory.

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